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May 27, 2004

Mr. Donald S. Welsh, Regional Administator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region III (3RA00) 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

Dear Mr. Welsh:

The enclosed materials comprise an original and 3 copies of an application for Program Authorization under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The application consists of the following:

- A revised Program Description, which describes the program elements for which authorization is being sought, and discusses how the Maryland Department of the Environment implements its base program and these additional program elements; and
- An Attorney General's Statement, in which the Maryland Attorney General certifies that the State of Maryland has adequate legal authority to implement the revised program described in the Program Description.

The Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the State of Maryland and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency concerning implementation of the RCRA program in Maryland, executed in January 2001 pursuant to 40 CFR §271.8, remains unchanged. The MOA is not included with this application.

Note that we are only sending one copy of Title 26 Subtitle 13 of the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR 26.13), the State's Hazardous Waste Regulations, which are included as Appendix K of the Program Description. We request that you make additional copies as needed from the submitted copy.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Mr. Edward Hammerberg at (410) 631-3345.

Sincerely,

Jonas Jacobson, Director

Waste Management Administration

Enclosure

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cc: Kendl Philbrick, Secretary, Maryland Department of the Environment

Mr. Harold L. Dye, Jr. Mr. Edward Hammerberg